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## MARGINAL COLUMN

By PHILIP DEANE

**Harsh Security Laws Decreed In Hungary**

The economic part of the "Eisenhower Doctrine," called by Administration circles as the constructive element in its much-publicized policy, looks like being a dead-end political Pandora's Box from which an apprehensive Washington sees emerging possible further friction with Britain, and possible new victories for President Nasser and his Syrian counterpart. This is the die-enacted conclusion, not of the generally optimistic Cabinet, Ministers, but of the professional expert assistants who point out the trouble-some fact that the President's proposed new economic aid means, in effect, aid first for Egypt, then for Syria and Jordan, the three most anti-Western neutrals, on whom Russia is concentrating her economic efforts. As members of the Baghdad Pact, these countries are also covered by the formal United States economic association with this pact. Further, Iraq and Persia have substantial military reserves, as has Saudi Arabia. Thus, from a purely economic point of view, the most pressing and explosive Middle East problems are Egypt's increasing and excessive over-population and Jordan's Palestine refugees.

IT is well known that Egypt, Jordan and Syria cause Washington's grave Middle East worries, and it is in these countries where the West needs most to do something towards thwarting Russian designs. So the new aid demands that President Eisenhower demands from Congress are likely to be principally earmarked for Egypt, Syria and Jordan. No one denies this here. The use of these funds can be best used by limiting it to politics. In the areas developing communications — highways — are something that may not encounter too many insuperable political obstacles. But, important though highways are, they are far less important than increasing income. Since it is too early for industrialisation, increasing income means irrigation projects — river control — the Jordan River, and, principally on the Nile. And a Nile development plan must take another look at Nasser's proposed Aswan Dam. This is not politics. It is simply good engineering. And thus the problem grows up, big and tough.

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**S. African Government To Extend Apartheid**

CAPETOWN, Sunday (Reuters). — The South African Government plans to introduce more apartheid legislation providing for racial segregation in the universities, professions and the professions, which will open next Friday. Ministers will have promised recently that the world situation is in a state of flux, and that his Government is watching to see whether this produces any opportunities for Germany.

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## Meir Returning To UN Assembly Debate

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Swinging changes in Hungary's martial law, making almost any new anti-state activity punishable by death, came into force today.

A decree enacted by the Government gave new powers to the summary courts set up in December to try "counter-revolutionary activities."

Under the new decree death sentences may be imposed on Hungarians who "sabotage or damage public utility or other essential enterprises." Agitation or "any movement against the democratic order of the state" is to be punished by hanging.

The decree said any arrested persons not tried by summary courts within 24 hours should be handed over to normal civil jurisdiction.

**Discussions Illegal**

Observers said the decree was so sweeping that it would be illegal for citizens to discuss among themselves possible strike measures or for foreign journalists to question workers, as in the past, about happenings inside their factories.

Among crimes punishable by death are "distribution of arms," murder, manslaughter and illegal possession of arms, the announcement added.

**Others can be dealt with similarly are those of sabotage or inciting to sabotage in factories "of vital importance to the state," depending on what is meant by "vital."**

According to the official news agency, MTI, Mr. Rezső Neva, Commissar for Foreign Affairs, said the decree was necessary because "recent revelations of subversive activities" were threatening Hungary with unemployment and inflation.

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BONN, Sunday (Reuters). — Dr. Konrad Adenauer, West Germany's 81-year-old Chancellor, has told leaders of his Christian Democrat Party to prepare for a hard fight in the campaign for next autumn's general election.

Dr. Adenauer appears to be in a state of flux, in spite of his age, and political circles in Bonn have no doubt that he intends to put the pace for the campaign himself.

Once again foreign policy, and especially East-West relations, and more effect German reunification, will mark the election campaign.

While sticking to his general line, Dr. Adenauer is taking a slightly more flexible attitude on foreign policy. He said recently that the world situation is in a state of flux, and that his Government is watching to see whether this produces any opportunities for Germany.

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## Cairo Fantasies Are Smokescreen

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Egypt through her fadogenous gang persists in her campaign of terror and aggression against Israel. At the same time she attempts to

veil her responsibility for a smokescreen of imaginary accusations.

On Tuesday night, the

Arabs were killed and three captured yesterday afternoon near Mishmar HaNegev, 15 kms. north-west of Beersheba, in a clash with the settlement's watchmen. The Army spokesman announced last night.

The watchmen were patrol-

ing the kibbutz lands when they were fired upon by the band of invaders.

Four rifles and a quantity of ammunition were taken.

The spokesman also reported

that on Friday morning a telephone pylon north-west of Arbil was destroyed by

time-bombs. Trucks were fol-

lowed to the Jordan border,

15 kms. away.

The damage was discovered

when a repair crew set out

to find a breakdown in the telephone line with Haifa.

A similar act of sabotage

was committed by fadogenous

gangs in the Lebanon south of Kibbutz Menara, opposite the Lebanese border.

The road surface was also

damaged by the heavy charge.

Trucks led back across the

Lebanese border.

**MULES STOLEN**

R.A.M.E., Sunday (UPI). — Four mules were stolen from Moab Shet Aris at daybreak today by a gang of infiltrators from Jordan. A military patrol retrieved a mule and returned it to the moshav.

The statements of these

infiltrators and experienced

observers are unanimous in

expressing satisfaction with the

attitude and behaviour of the

Israel administration towards

the inhabitants of the area

and its success in securing

the normal and peaceful functioning of civilian life there.

**U.N. Sees No Sign Of Israel Massing**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

U.N. Observers have found no concentrations of Israeli troops on the border with Jordan, it was learned officially last night.

The observers began their investigations on Friday afternoon, a day after the Jordanian delegation at the U.N. interrupted a debate on the Hungarian situation in the Assembly to complain of a build-up of Israeli troops. It was more likely that the Cabinet decision was taken.

It is therefore

doubtful whether any such

decision was taken.

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Yesterday's meeting was

described as "difficult," but

it was pointed out that there

had been no major disagreement or split.

**Hammarskjold Receives U.S. Egyptian Delegates**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. Hammarskjold received

the Egyptian delegation

on Wednesday evening.

The mission, in which he

was aided by three U.N. economists in Europe, was carried out at the request of the Hungarian Government.

Mr. de Seynes saw the Secre-

tary-General immediately after his arrival and gave him a preliminary report on his mission.

A more detailed report follows next week.

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**Social & Personal**

Mr. Ben Parkin, British Labour M.P., now touring this country, yesterday called on Mr. E. Burkett, Head of the Political Department of the Histadrut. He also toured several Histadrut institutions.

Mr. Yosef Tezah, Director of Armistic Affairs in the Foreign Ministry, will address a Who-Hadassah get-together tomorrow at 5 p.m. at the Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv.

The Soldiers Welfare Committee last week b'd a farewell reception for Mr. Fred Mosenzon of Boston. Representatives of the Ministry of Defense and high ranking army officers were among those present.

Colleagues from the Ministry of Health, the Hadassah Medical Organization and the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School attended a farewell reception given last night by Dr. and Mrs. Kaiman J. Mann at their home in Kiryat Moshe, Jerusalem, in honour of Prof. and Mrs. Sidney Kirk, of Durban, South Africa.

Dr. San Gupta, of Burma, who is at present attached to the Israel Institute of National Insurance, yesterday discussed problems of common interest with members of the management of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem.

A memorial service on the first anniversary of the death of Gershon Hanoch will be held at the Be'er Club, 9 Alhazir, Jerusalem, tonight at 8.30.

Mr. A.M. Berman will speak on "International Radio Communication" at the meeting of the Kitchen Party Club, Alhazir Bialik, today at 1.30.

Mr. Arieh Shemar, President of the Manufacturers Association, who has had influenza, is exect back at work within a few days.

A Unique Exhibit of Japanese children's drawings under the supervision of the Japanese Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. Kuniochi Negishi, was opened at the Haifa Ethnological Museum last night.

Mr. W.Z. Grodzinski, the General Manager of Cargol Company, left this morning for Europe on company business. Among other business engagements, Mr. Grodzinski's plan is to visit the company's research offices in Western Europe and England in connection with the inspection of citrus fruit packed in Cargol cartons. (Adv't)

**Moshe Sipper**

The untimely death of Moshe Sipper a week ago is deeply mourned by his friends in the thinning ranks of Haganah veterans. He was one of them, and one of the best.

Sipper, who was 34 when death overtook him, came to Palestine in 1933, an idealistic youth from Wiesbaden, full of energy and strictly adhering to the ideals of the German Zionistic youth movement, Blau-Weiss. He spent his energy in the drainage scheme of Wadi Hawereth swamps.

Because doctors warned him that further exhaustion on the swamp would drive him to his end, Sipper turned to administration. Public affairs were very close to his heart, and he was among the founders of Hapoel Sports Club. An early Haganah commander, he was the first C.O. of the Gadna.

He is survived by his wife and two sons. (S.S.)

**VETERANS SEND HUNGARY PENICILLIN**

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday.—Some 1,500 bottles of penicillin were dispatched today by the Israel War Veterans League through T.W.A. to the International Red Cross Committee in Geneva in aid for Hungary.

**Cinemas****JERUSALEM**

At 2.30, 4.30 and 6.30 p.m.  
EDEN: Tales of the Sky.

EDEN: Head Brummell, 2nd week.

EDEN: Rock, Rock, Rock.

ORION: The Ladykillers.

ORION: The Last Wagon.

SON: Mystery Boxes.

STUDIOS: Forbidden Fruit.

THE STORY: The Story.

SIMON: Hall, Hall, Hallelujah.

SIMON: Friends of Mine.

TEL AVIV: The Court Martial of Bill Mitchell.

SIMON: Once Again.

HAIFA: The Living Room, 2nd week.

ARON: "Chez," 2nd week.

CHIN: Head for the Sky, 2nd week.

EDEN: Stars, 2nd, 2nd week.

EDEN: Performance, 2nd, 2nd week.

EDEN: Viva, Las Vegas, 2nd week.

HAMMAM: Those Who Bare.

ORION: Casanova.

ORION: "C'est La Vie."

ORION: Rock Around the Clock.

ORION: The Man With the Golden Arm, 2nd week.

SHOBOOTH: Alice.

TAMAR: Susanna.

SCHLESINGER: Caribbean Express.

ZABOR: The Court Martial of Bill Mitchell.

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GEORGE SHERMAN

## Kadar Makes No Political Concessions But Hungarian Regime's Economic Vulnerability is Obvious

By GEORGE SHERMAN

VIENNA (O.P.N.E.)—THE long-expected declaration of policy by the Kadar regime in Hungary makes it clear that present economic and social reforms are to be obtained without giving in one iota to the demands for greater political freedom.

As the whole course of East European history since the second world war has shown, it is the total one-party control inherent in the Communist "dictatorship of the proletariat"—a concept still stubbornly clung to in the declaration—which defines the measure of freedom obtained in other fields. So it remains to be seen how far the still vague promises of greater economic freedom will be instituted and secured in the still unchanged political system in Hungary.

It is the disastrous economy of the country which remains the regime's prime concern, and various aspects of the economic policy which have emerged in combating this situation are all brought together in this governmental declaration. The cry for foreign credits and loans—primarily from Soviet and other "friendly" states—but also even from the West, to repair the "revolutionary" agreement that the Workers' Council should remain in the individual factories and share in direction and profits; the dismissal of superfluous civil servants in an economy enjoying greater autonomy; the necessity of labour-made redundant through the closing of some factories due to the coal and electricity shortages—all these pronouncements have been heard from Budapest Radio in greater detail during the past few weeks.

### Formal Cancellation

Furthermore, the declaration formalizes cancellation of the second Five-Year Plan with its concentration on heavy industry—and the announcement of emergency plans for the next few months seem only a logical consequence of the oft-admitted precarious economic

situation. The official recognition that popular (presumably this means consumer) opinion as well as export demand makes it clear that present economic and social reforms are to be obtained without giving in one iota to the demands for greater political freedom.

It is reliably reported here that despite the continued high morale of workers and their resistance to the reversion of the dissolved Communist cells in the factories, the Government has begun implementing its decision to lay off redundant workers.

Details of this operation seem to substantiate the programme contained in the governmental declaration to combat the unemployment.

However, the sum is no more than nominal. Those discharged are being given two weeks' full pay and a promise of receiving 30 per cent of their unspecified wages in the future. The amount is not to be less than 200 florins (about £47) nor more than 300 florins per month (and the average industrial wage previously has been estimated at 800 florins—IL135 monthly).

### Low Wages Paid

In contrast to the low wages paid to those workers still actually employed, the members of the force of the Defense Minister remain highly paid. Information sources place the figure at 3,000 florins monthly, plus "danger" money of 300 florins per day of patrol duty—and guaranteed food for the family. Despite this temptation, it appears that mainly disloyal elements of this new force—these include former members of the "Arrow Cross" (the most extreme pre-war Fascist organizations) and managers and employees formerly evicted from the factories by the Workers' Council.

The difference in wages between these two occupations must represent what the regime feels necessary to attract people to its defence. In this sense such lists were to cover only

reflects the utter weakness of the regime in the face of a hostile people. It also demonstrates in the most basic terms the economic vulnerability of a system which must give over such a disproportionately amount of its resources to sustaining itself in power.

### Clothing Scarcity

Information reaching here from travellers shows that though food remains plentiful, there is a severe shortage of clothing—especially clothing for women. It is agreed that the beginning of goods shortages that the general promises contained in the regime's declaration about greater freedom of trade and private initiative must be viewed.

Bela Csikos Nagy, the President of the Supreme Price Authority, has clearly shown the lines of conflict between price and economic dislocation and the long-term aims of the Government. In a statement on price policy broadcast by Budapest Radio he stated that the regime's new policy of letting the "majority of goods" find their own price level through the law of supply and demand could only be instituted after the return to normal production.

Under present conditions, he said, such a policy would result in impossible price rises and only aggravate the already acute shortages. The as yet unanswered question is what are the "emergency measures" which will re-establish that normal production necessary for the reforms.

### Price Control

Nevertheless, the Minister did spell out in this statement the prospective consequences in his one-line summary of the Government's determination to pass eventually from the former policy of full "price establishment" to one of limited "price control." Eighty to 85 per cent of his staff would become superfluous. Such bureaucracies had been necessary to run the economy, 70,000 posts had been covered by official Government priests, he said. In the future, such lists were to cover only

several thousand "important consumer goods and raw materials."

Here is but one example of what the Government's declaration must mean in its talk about simplifying Government administration, while at the same time retaining a measure of "Leninist" economic control from the center. Only future implementation will be the final balance between individual initiative and central control in an economy where total political power continues to reside in the hands of a monolithic party imposed and operated at the behest of a foreign State.

Details of this operation

## Planting the Great Galilee Forest

By YESHAYAHU ASHENI

THE Hermon's snows glisten in their whiteness as we set out in a small jeep to see what was doing in the way of tree planting in this bushtown season. Our first stop was Ramot Pina, whose nursery, established in 1944, is growing 600,000 seedlings this season, and our guide was Mr. T. Ashbel, the Jewish National Fund's supervisor of the Seferet forest, who helps to look after the four million trees that the JNF has planted in the area since the inception of the State.

At the nursery, the seedlings are arranged in boxes filled with wet sand and transported to the site of planting in lorries. A load plane to consist of 5,000 seedlings, but now that a special method of stacking the boxes has been developed one lorry can transport 20,000. The boxes themselves are a JNF hy-product, made as they are of the wood of thinned-out trees in the forests of Ginegar, Mishmar Haemek, Ein Hashofet and Ben Shemen. As for the waste, it goes to the Seferet breeding factory in the Jordan Valley, where

another nursery, at Sde Eliyahu opposite Ayelet Ha-shahar, grows 200,000 succulents the national institutions some time ago with a view to resettling the Bedouin, but so far, despite repeated representations, their request has fallen on deaf ears.

Next, we made our way to the wooded areas of Shefer—the Paradijs of old, where the pine forests are interwoven with carob groves.

Here cultivated carobs have been grafted onto the wild trees, and the frosty leaves attest to the success of the operation. Each tree yields 100 kilos of carobs, which will go far toward

solving the settlers' cattle feed problem. Ten thousand trees have been rehabilitated in this manner, and another hundred thousand in more throughout Galilee will eventually undergo grafting, providing the national economy with thousands of tons of concentrated feed.

As millions of young trees strike root among the rocks and the scanty soil of the Biriya-Hatzerim-Nafatlai triangle, a great forest is coming into being. Its extent and its beauty, even today, make for a sight that must be seen to be believed.

Discussing the tug-of-war over the projected expansion of the Elat Port, Haaretz (non-party) notes that the Ministry of Communications has the resources available to carry out the job; the Ministry of Development would have to start from scratch.

The opposition to the encroaching domination of the latter over Elat, the paper assures us, has nothing to do with politics or party prestige but only with efficiency and economy.

**Hoover Aliya**

Lamassur (Abdu Ha'avoda) notes that this year's aliyah will be heavier than ever before and expects and calls for special measures. To that end the paper hails the Finance Minister's proposal for sending immigrants to the collective settlements for a two-year trial period. (See "The Kibbutz Revolution," The Jerusalem Post, January 3.)

**FAITH AND FACE**

Editor, The Jerusalem Post Sir—Your "Marginal Column" in the December 21, you published an "Open Letter to the Minister of Agriculture" from "A Settler" of Moab Nachalot, complaining that the authorities had not carried out their obligations to him. Yours etc.

**KADIM LOOZ**  
Minister of Agriculture  
Jerusalem, January 3

**Readers' Letters**

**FARMERS' PLIGHT**

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**1. "Settler"** is a member of a moshav which is under the authority of the Settlement Department of the Jewish Agency and I am certain she knows that the settlement movement gave to settlers at a loss interest-free and payment over a long period.

**2. At Biriya Wood**

At last we reached the Biriya Wood, the treelike jungle in the wind—a cold rush of air carries our temperature down and after an hour and a half of its operations he pointed out. He is a k.d. What's India's position? I answered "I have no idea. After another hour's deliberations I was finally told to exert superhuman efforts towards finding a realistic arrangement satisfactory to all parties without becoming embroiled in actions likely to cause damage and offend the oil lobby."

I immediately contacted Mr. Shepilov and drew his attention to rumours of alleged trips by Hungarian nationals to Russia, wherupon Mr. Shepilov lost his temper and warned me that this step of mine constituted a brutal infringement of the strict neutrality of small nations.

Now whom was I to believe? I tried to probe the position of the U.S. Government in this matter and found that it was acting according to the principle of maximum alertness towards all occurrences necessitating such abstention always in the spirit of the U.N. Charter. The British representative also stormed for speeding up of the Canal salvage work.

I left this meeting in a towering rage. Without further ado I summoned the Israeli delegation and handed them ultimatum about the demolition of "Egyptian" in the Sinai desert. The U.S. Government, tonight, warned me against dealing from my efforts to find an acceptable solution to current problems.

I answered: "What solutions? What solutions?" Tell me something concrete! "As you go on shaking your fist at us—" Mr. Shepilov thundered—"I don't know whether I'll be able to prevent the Russian delegation's consuring the U.N. Plenary by a majority vote!"

He was terribly upset, but I kept calm. "And I tell you that the Jews will withdraw." I quickly changed the subject and will not discuss "parasites." That had its effect. Mr. Shepilov's anger evaporated. We talked for another three hours about the problems of the Middle East and parted in a most cordial mood.

Upon the inception of the State the JNF decided to develop Biriya as a mountain resort, but nothing has yet been done to implement this plan, and silence and desolation hang heavy over its slowly deteriorating buildings. At Ein Zeitim, the Gedra farm which had been rehabilitated so many hundreds of young youth was closed over a year ago, as an unnecessary measure.

Supported by the Safad Labour Council, a group of policemen, soldiers, workers and new immigrants ap-

pealed to the Government.

Afterwards I sat down and wrote a stiff note to Mrs. Meir telling her that I would not tolerate any more language. "I'm telling you that you've got to get out of Sinai!" I also dispatched a stiff note to the Israel Foreign Minister.

Wednesday : Fighting again flared in Budapest. Five more observers to the Jordan border!

Thursday : Today they informed us almost consecutively. The French representative assured me of his honest fidelity to matters concerning Nasser. "I am not sufficiently told!" I ridiculed the very idea, and showed him a copy of the note I had written.

These basic elements must be injected into the situation first. Then the economic aid programme can go on from there with some hope of eventual fruition.

The weakness of the people is that J and Communist subversion are working strongly against the long-term solution which economic aid offers. This makes it imperative to clarify at the outset that no encroachment and no military adventure will be tolerated in the area. It must also be made clear with more courage and forthrightness than has been evinced hitherto, that there will be no further connivance, even of a passive nature, in any scheme at all which envisages the undermining of the existence of Israel.

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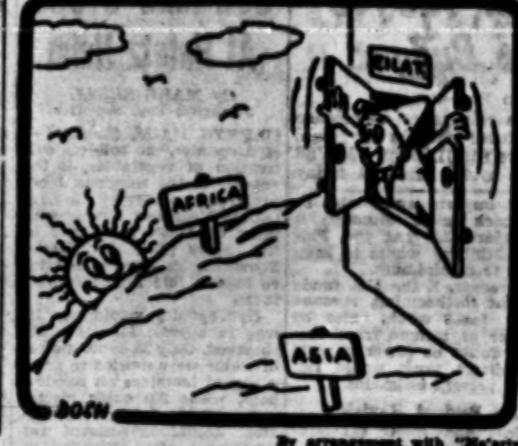
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## Yesterday's Press :

## Saudi Shooting in Gulf

RESULT notes that in the past few weeks Providence

has sent us a few advantages which we have failed to exploit. The Japanese attack on the Straits of Malacca with the first phase of their withdrawal were an excellent pretext for resuming it than and there; the Egyptians' pronouncements that they would never allow Israel shipping through those waters should have made us determined to retain our hold on Suez, i.e., Suez, and now the Israeli attack on the port of Elat, Jordan, which continues to reach its peak, gives Israel an excellent opportunity for tightening her grip. Will our Government give up the only remaining achievement of the Sinai campaign—freedom of

passage through the Gulf of Elat?

Haifa (World Mizrah) contends that precisely because the Saudi attack is the first incident and because it took place in the Straits that Israel considers most vital for its marine communications, it is worth inferring the German paper that Israel will stand for no meddling.

In addition, the U.N. and the free world should be briefed on what has taken place so that if Israel must take steps against the enemies world opinion will know precisely who is responsible.

Not Egypt:

Holot (Local Agenda) writes that Suez seems to be concerned over the fact that Tiran Island is not Egyptian territory and is therefore not affected by the U.N. withdrawal resolution. She therefore intends to step into the controversy in order to assure the evacuation of the Straits. She might as well know that she has nothing to gain from such a move.

Al Hamashar (Mapam) dwells on the eclipse of a most brilliant political career.

Sir Anthony Eden and his wife have been welcomed and expanded his policy and expanded his policy, intending to make the Egyptian dictator the pampered child of the Middle East at the price of the demise of Israel. Israel, however, will not serve as the sacrificial lamb.

As millions of young trees strike root among the rocks and the scanty soil of the Biriya-Hatzerim-Nafatlai triangle, a great forest is coming into being. Its extent and its beauty, even today, make for a sight that must be seen to be believed.

Discussing the tug-of-war over the projected expansion of the Elat Port, Haaretz (non-party) notes that the Ministry of Communications has the resources available to carry out the job; the Ministry of Development would have to start from scratch.

The opposition to the encroaching domination of the latter over Elat, the paper assures us, has nothing to do with politics or party prestige but only with efficiency and economy.

**Hoover Aliya**

Lamassur (Abdu Ha'avoda) notes that this year's aliyah

will be heavier than ever before and expects and calls for special measures. To that end the paper hails the Finance Minister's proposal for sending immigrants to the collective settlements for a two-year trial period. (See "The Kibbutz Revolution," The Jerusalem Post, January 3.)

**Many difficulties** lie in the path of this bold move, writes the paper, and it should be borne in mind that it is a severe test for the absorbing settlement as it is for the absorbed. It might therefore be in place to ask that no demands contradicting the kibbutz way of life be made. Hired labour is "taboo" and any attempt to bring it in by back door marked as immigrants' pay will meet with a categorical "No."

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